

Bloomfield Record.

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The Tax Assessment for 1873.

The Essex County Board of Assessors met on Monday at the Court House to adjust the valuations in cities, wards and townships throughout the county. The total value of real and personal property in the county is returned as \$129,615,840. The rate of taxation was fixed at a fraction less than 92 per cent, an advance of about 20 per cent. over last year.

The Newark Assessment Board also met and fixed the rate for the city at \$1.98.

In our Bloomfield township, owing to the increased county rate and our own expenditures for various town purposes, roads, gas, etc., the rate will also be unusually high. From information afforded us by the Assessors, Mr. Joseph K. Oakes, we are enabled to give our readers an exhibit showing concisely where and how the increase arises.

The total valuation of real estate in the township as returned at \$2,609,576; valuation of personal property, \$625,458; the aggregate, after deducting liabilities, is \$3,235,034. This shows an increase in real estate over last year of 5.23 per cent., and a decrease in personal property of 9.25.

The following table shows the proportionate assessment in the various districts in the township, being the amount necessary to be raised upon each \$100:

County rate	92
Town purposes, roads, etc.	65
Total	\$1.57
DIST. NO. 2.	
County rate	92
Town purposes	50
Gaslight purposes	21
School purposes	35
Sidewalks	6
Total	\$2.11
DIST. NO. 3.	
County	92
Town	50
Gas	21
Schools	35
Total	\$2.68

The fourth district is the same as the second.

The rate last year was as follows:
Dist. No. 1, \$1.20
Dist. No. 2, \$1.52
Dist. No. 3, \$1.43
Dist. No. 4, \$1.64

It will be remembered that at the last Town Meeting \$10,000 was voted for road.

The Storm on Tuesday.
A storm visited on Tuesday afternoon by a succession of thunder storms of almost unexampled severity. The lightning was very vivid, the clouds hovering remarkably near the earth, rendering the electric phenomena far from pleasant in its contemplation by nervous and timid people. It seemed to confine its planks mostly to the clouds, as we hear of comparatively few buildings or trees having been damaged by the fluid. A pear tree in Mr. Powers' lot, west of the depot, was struck and a hole bored in the ground about three feet in circumference.

The fall of rain was something remarkable. Bloomfield avenue was for the time being converted into a very respectable river, a torrent pouring down that thoroughfare a foot or more in depth, so that people found it impossible, for a half hour after the storm, to effect a crossing. Some planks were obtained and a temporary bridge erected at Mr. Colfax's corner.

Watessing Lake which was thought to belong to the topography of the past, was once more a reality, and the rise of water on its site floated off several large stacks of hay. Considerable damage was done in the vicinity of Peloubet Pelton & Co's. manufactory. A tunnel to carry steam pipes had been constructed under Orange street from the building on the south to the new building just going up on the north side of the street. A torrent of water found its way into this tunnel and soon flooded the basement and excavations for the mammoth well, involving a damage of several hundred dollars.

In Newark the storm was terrific. Many buildings and trees were struck by the lightning. On Mount Prospect Avenue a chestnut tree in the grove opposite the Horse-car depot was shivered and a tall pine in the same vicinity was reduced to kindling wood. In the Alarm Telegraph Office there was a constant discharge of electricity resembling musketry in a battle. The destruction to property from inundated basements, etc., will amount to several thousand dollars.

In Orange the damage was also extensive. A barn in Cone street was struck and two fine horses were killed.
We have received for publication a very sprightly article which we would print, abounding as it does in genuine humor, were we not apprehensive of its distastefulness to our temperance folk. Its publication would amount in effect to a first class recommendation of the manner in which drinks are compounded at a certain hotel in this town. The communication is therefore respectfully declined.

The old Commodore will interest the boys in next week's Record with another installment of "Ocean Ramblings."

Literary Notices.

It is very generally known that Edward and Ruth Garrett are the *monna de plume* of an English lady. But it is not as generally known that the individual assuming these names is a Mrs. Mayo. Her home is in the heart of London, at the head of a rather narrow street, having but one entrance. The house is substantial in appearance on the outside. The inside is attractively cozy, the parlor being adorned with elegantly bound volumes of celebrated authorship, and the walls are covered with brackets, statues, ettes and pictures. Mr. Mayo personifies Edward Garrett, though he does not write. Mrs. Mayo is a lady of medium height. Her wavy brown hair is artistically arranged over an ample brow beneath which are brown eyes of peculiar softness. The face expresses the innocence of childhood while a beautiful animation plays over her features, especially when in conversation. The manner and dress of Mrs. Mayo are remarkable for their simplicity, and this simplicity cannot but render her charming to all who see her. She converses gaily with strangers and makes welcome to her home those few American travelers who visit her. No one on first beholding Mrs. Mayo would suspect that she was the author of such rare wisdom as we find in her works, or the beautiful thoughts in "Occupations of a Retired Life," and "White as Snow."

It will add a charm to her and her works when the reader knows that a great many of her characters are drawn from real life.

"Wit and Wisdom of George Eliot" is the title of a volume containing the most valuable thoughts of that author, gathered from her various writings. Her thoughts are always worth reading, but many would prefer to read them as they occur in her works.

"Anecdotes of Public Men," by John W. Forney, contains much that is interesting concerning the lives and characters of great men who have figured in the history of America for the past half century. The work is entertaining. It is published by the Harpers.

We have received the July number of "The American Naturalist," a popular illustrated magazine of natural history. It embraces much interesting matter relating to Zoology, Botany, Microscopy, and kindred sciences. Dodd & Mead, of 752 Broadway, New York, are the general agents for this interesting scientific monthly.

Improvements.

Messrs Peloubet, Pelton & Co have commenced the erection of two new factory buildings, the constantly increasing demand for their fine paper organs making it necessary for them to have additional room and machinery. They are building upon the canal dock at the foot of Beach street, an extensive planing and sawing mill, and on Orange street, opposite the present works, a fine building is going up, larger than either of the older ones. It is 37 by 100 feet. They are also sinking a well fifteen feet in diameter, and a fire-proof brick building and will be constructed to afford room for a large steam pump. When all these improvements are complete, we shall probably give our readers a detailed description of this important manufacturing industry which we feel proud to claim as belonging to our town.

Outrage in Brooklyn.
A Bloomfield Gentleman Attacked.
Mr. Edward Adams, son of J. L. Adams, Esq. of this place, was assaulted yesterday afternoon in Brooklyn by an unknown ruffian. He had just left his place of business when he was assaulted and knocked down, evidently with the intention of robbery. His assailant left him apparently insensible. He fortunately recovered sufficiently to return to the manufactory, and reached home last evening. He was attended by Dr. Davis. His injuries, though painful, are not serious, consisting of bruises about the head.

Camping Out.

Three of the young men of our town, Messrs. Van De Werken, Baldwin and Seymour, have taken themselves to Greenwood Lake for a summer vacation of a couple of weeks. They left town on Wednesday last with tent, kitchen utensils, fishing and hunting paraphernalia, etc. May the best of luck attend them—better we trust, than that which attended the Danbury man who went off for a half day's sport, walked fourteen miles, lost his \$5 watch, spoiled a \$11 pair of pants by sitting down on his luncheon, and caught a four pound mud turtle getting back in time to help the doctor cut from his oldest boy's foot one of several fish hooks he had left at home.

Sudden Death.—Edwin Mitchell, a son of the late Gen. O. M. Mitchell, the astronomer, died very suddenly of Bright's disease of the kidneys, on Sunday morning last at Mrs. Hardestie's on Bloomfield avenue. He had retired in his usual health on Saturday night.

The Children's Party.

Invitations were given for a grand party to nearly one hundred little ones, to be held on Thursday of last week, from four to nine P. M. at the residence of Mr. James Purcell Jones.

At four o'clock or a little before, they came in flocks in holiday attire, and were cordially received by Mr. and Mrs. Jones. They soon found means to enjoy themselves, having full range of the house and extensive grounds surrounding it. Swings, croquet, balls, ropes for "Copenhagen," music and refreshments were liberally provided for the entertainment of the guests.

What a joyous company! how they laughed and sang, ran races and shouted; no wonder that the host and a few other "children of a larger growth," who were present, appeared to be boys again and entered into the "fun" with so much glee and earnestness. The race to catch Mr. Jones was a marked feature of the good time; to see forty little girls with their hair and ribbons streaming in the wind, after him; he panting for breath, hat and slippers off, going like mad; they shooting merrily as they go it, over haws, around trees and bushes, bent on getting hold of that streaming striped alpaca coat, which they did, but with what effect upon the coat we will not say.

After the table loaded with good things had received proper attention, and mottoes had been tucked into pockets to take home to little sister, and the ice cream melted, and the lemonade disposed of, to the surprise of Rattie and Winnie Jones, elegant, finely put cologne bottles with their names in gift, were presented to them by their parents, the largest boy in the party making the presentation speech, after which, three cheers were given by the irrepressible children for Mr. and Mrs. Jones.

Then Mr. J. E. Randolph made his appearance and this was the signal for more excitement, the children gathering around him to greet him, and he went right to work kissing them and eating ice cream, and finally scampering over the lawn like a young colt.

With singing and the playing of children's games in the parlor the evening soon passed away and shortly after nine the dear little ones were at their own homes and just finding out how tired they were. May we have more innocent, merry children's parties like this, and may I be there to enjoy them.

Card to the Public.

In order to prevent a fire breaking out in our village, it is our duty to use every precautionary measure possible. I have therefore resolved not to measure out any kerosene or turpentine after the lamps are lighted, and have the words, "will be sold only on condition of being used for light," printed on the label, not allowing either to be drawn where an artificial light is used, and indeed all companies stipulate that a covered light a certain number of feet away, can only be used. These conditions are being violated all the time, rendering our insurance policies of very doubtful value. So I, for one, have concluded that the only safe way is to let the dangerous articles alone after dark, and make this public announcement of my intention.

NOTICES.
Mr. Edmond: Notices have been posted on the commons forbidding ball playing and injuring the grounds in any way, under penalty of the law. The young men of our village have very kindly honored this rule and have not violated it; still a number of persons may be seen almost any evening, pitching quoits in front of the Park House, much to the detriment of the ground; for quoits cannot be played without injury to the ground. Now if the Town Committee take no notice of the matter why cannot the game of baseball be played? and if there is to be partiality shown, the Town Committee will find that the young men of our village will assert their rights. All we want is justice.

STATE ITEMS.

A colored camp meeting is in progress this week in Peck's Woods, East Orange.

Mr. John Dukes, a well known gardener of Kearney township has sold his farm for \$80,000.

The Montclair Herald makes its second appearance enlarged to double the size of the first number.

Work is to be begun immediately upon the new tunnel and cut of the D. L. & W. R. R. Co. The enterprise involves a cost of about 2,000,000.

Last Saturday evening, as a gentleman was walking along the bench at Long Branch, the umbrella which he carried in his hand was struck by lightning, and shattered in threads; he escaped injury.

The Commissioners of Essex and Bergen counties have tendered the sum of \$3,000 to the North Belleville Bridge Co. for the purchase of their franchise. The company have held out for \$5,000, but will probably accept the amount stated above; under the law the counties may, after tender of the money, at once take possession of the bridge, making it a free one.

Portland, Me., was visited by a disastrous fire on Saturday. It consumed the Portland Company's Works, including locomotives, machinery, and other property of the Grand Trunk Railway. The loss is estimated at \$500,000; insured for \$150,000.

ABOUT TOWN.

Very tranquil after the storm.

Mrs. Quito is among the latest arrivals. She sing melodiously and wears ring-streaked stockings.

Fly-paper and wire screens are in demand.

A County Clerk is known by his deeds, a Legislator by his acts.

George H. Perry has been made a constable by the Town Committee.

The dwellers on Morris Place are patiently awaiting the advent of Capt. Kiersted and his forces.

Tidy nurses and pretty babies in carriages are a specialty on Broad Street and the Park pleasant afternoons.

Mr. Will Baldwin out-tubed his competitors in the tub race of last evening. Where there's a will there's a way.

By the way, J. H. Way has a clever way of weighing out choice provisions for his customers.

Following Mr. Wilde's precept, a Broad St. merchant closed his store at 4 P. M. one day last week. How's that for early?

The Baptist Sunday School went yesterday on a picnic to Hewitt's Grove, near Ringwood, on the Midland Railroad.

The old mill house near Morris's Mills succumbs to the march of improvement. Shotgun practice on rats is a favorite amusement in that vicinity.

Lewis Cocke-fair has been appointed to the office of Commissioner of Appeals, by the Town Committee, to fill a vacancy occasioned by the declination of Col. J. Turner.

The gas company are now ready to introduce gas into the dwellings or stores of any may desire it. Application for the same can be made to J. A. Davis, Jr. or Hargraves & Hayes.

Mr. E. H. Davoy is making considerable alterations and improvements in his paper mill. The new machinery which is now being erected will enable him to turn out from three to four tons of board per day.

Mr. Wm. H. Bartholomew, of Bloomfield avenue, has sent us some specimens of his handiwork as an amateur printer. They consist of business and visiting cards, letter-heads, labels, etc., and give evidence of much skill and good taste.

On next Sabbath evening the Rev. Henry Spellmeyer will preach his sermon on "How to Make Money." This is the third of a series of sermons on this subject, and is available to those who hear it.

Corner loafers have again become prominent, especially Sabbath evenings, and particularly on the corner of Liberty and Broad. Now if Mr. Elliott would only throw a little light on this subject, it might have had a good effect.

The package of books advertised as "Pound" in last week's Record have been claimed. They were valuable theological works belonging to one of the students in the German Seminary. Moral—advertise your Wants, Losses and Findings in the local paper.

A Bloomfield Avenue man, whose place is about six feet "below grade," was seen shortly after the deluge, surveying its effect upon his property. He wasn't profane, though he did take a cursory view of the situation, quietly remarking that he didn't exactly see where the benefits came in.

Messrs. Hargraves & Hayes are building a spacious show window for the reception of a stock of gas fixtures. It is reasonable to anticipate that Mr. Westlake, book-keeper in that establishment, will make this window an attractive feature, as he is known to have a decided talent as a window dresser.

The M. E. Church on Broad street narrowly escaped destruction by fire on Saturday last. It is supposed that mice by nibbling some matches, set fire to the wood-work of one of the windows. Mr. Wm. Griffin the sexton, was at work on the premises, and put out the fire before much damage was done.

The Bloomfield Hotel, John Archdeacon, proprietor, is a model of neatness, and far in advance of public houses as usually kept in rural towns. Especially to be commended is the promptness and good taste evinced by the proprietor in having the sidewalks in front of the hotel lowered, re-flagged and kept in good order, much to the comfort of passers-by.

Mr. P. J. Lawrence, Piano Tuner, of Orange, announces to the people of Bloomfield that he is prepared to furnish first-class orchestra music for all occasions, assisted by the best of musicians from New York. Music furnished from the piano to all numbers. Orders sent to the Central Hotel, Orange, will receive prompt attention. Address "Lawrence's Orchestra."

Mr. H. C. Spalding, for the "Watessing Land Co.," has petitioned the Town Committee to change the name of all that part of Railroad Avenue from the "Centre" to the Two Bridges, to the name of Glenwood Avenue, and all beyond (that is from the Two Bridges to Doddtown corner) to Prospect street. A resolution to this effect was adopted, and is advertised elsewhere.

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do. Low Fancy Shoes	1.00
Ladies' Slippers	1.90
Children's Pearl Button Shoes 6 to 10	2.40
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Men's Hand Sewed Oxford Ties	3.50
do. do. Calf Gaiters	2.00
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